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Dec. 19, 2003  
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Joanne Bourguignon

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Robert Alan Cochran and Harald Burose  
Application No.: 09/687,130  
Filed: October 12, 2000  
Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR IMPROVING LUN-BASED  
BACKUP RELIABILITY

Docket No.: 10992807-1

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AMENDMENT

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Sir:

In response to the Office Action date October 1, 2003, please amend the application as follows:

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01 FC:1202 180.00 DA  
02 FC:1201 172.00 DA

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Inventor(s): Robert A. Cochran et al.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- (X) Response/Amendment ( ) Petition to extend time to respond  
(X) New fee as calculated below ( ) Supplemental Declaration  
( ) No additional fee (Address envelope to "Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment")  
( ) Other: (fee \$ )

CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY						
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEES
TOTAL CLAIMS	30	MINUS	20	= 10	X \$18	\$ 180
INDEP. CLAIMS	5	MINUS	3	= 2	X \$84	\$ 168
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$410.00	3RD MONTH \$930.00	4TH MONTH \$1450.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 348

Charge \$ 348 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

Robert A. Cochran et al.

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